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In re application of:

KOBAYASHI, Yoshihiro, et al.

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For: ZIRCONIUM CERAMIC
MATERIAL, OPTICAL FIBER
CONNECTOR MEMBER USING
THE SAME, AND METHOD OF
PRODUCING THE SAME

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the
Commissioner for a one-month extension of time extending to June 16, 2001
(Saturday), the period for response to the Office Action dated February 16, 2001. A
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